

Request 7595 – Finance, spend

(SCDC) Spend

Dear South Cambridgeshire District Council,

How was the money spent (£500,000) from the Homes and Communities Agency in 2012 for Traveller site provision?

The £500,000 Affordable Homes Programme Traveller Pitch Funding grant to Cambridge City Council was transferred to South Cambridgeshire District Council, with approval from the Homes and Communities Agency.

Response

We were approved in principle for a £500,000 grant from the Homes and Communities Agency in 2012 for Traveller site provision, but we were subsequently not able to claim the money because the scheme became unviable, in part because of prohibitive costs of purchasing the required land.